

 Early Warning System

EBRD-48153

FRV/Empire Al Mafrq Solar PV Project



Quick Facts

Countries	Jordan
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2016-07-20
Borrower	Abdul Latif Jameel Group
Sectors	Energy
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 35.47 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 98.45 million



Project Description

A senior secured loan of up to USD 35.5million to finance the construction of a 50 MW solar photovoltaic plant located within the King Hussein Bin Talal Development Area near the city of Al Mafraq in Mafraq Governorate, 80 km north of Amman in Jordan. The Project will be one of the first utility-scale solar plants of this size in Jordan and will support the country in increasing its renewable energy capacity and reducing its reliance on costly hydrocarbon imports.

Project rationale stems from Jordan's strategy to procure cost-effective, indigenous energy supplies to mitigate its energy crisis. As part of the government's second round of direct proposals for solar ("Round 2"), the Project represents an important part of its ambitious programme to generate 10% of Jordan's electricity demand from renewables by 2020.

The Project will assist Jordan in diversifying its power sector which is heavily focused on thermal power generation. It will increase the generation of energy through indigenous renewable sources and will be developed to comply with EBRD's E&S Policy 2014, which requires Projects to meet EU environmental standards. The Project marks the transition from a feed-in tariff model (Round 1 of government-run direct proposals process) to a tender process in which the tariff is set competitively (Round 2).



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